Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER B0801.70238US00 Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 10/017905-Conf. #7653 December 14, 2001 P. J. Nolan 1644 Applicant(s): Paul Ridker et al. INFLAMMATORY MARKERS AS TOOLS IN THE DETECTION AND PREVENTION OF Invention: DIABETES MELLITUS AND AS TOOLS TO AID IN THE SELECTION OF AGENTS TO BE USED FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF DIABETES TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** х Independent Claims х Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: Large Entity Small Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. 23/2825 in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 23/2825 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. x | Credit any overpayment. x Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: May 24, 2006 Roque El-Hayek Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 55,151 WOLF, GREENFIELD & SACKS, P.C. Federal Reserve Plaza

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this amendment.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this amendment.